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Public Health

Government aid to non-official bodies engaged in health propaganda work.

* 274 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) what the attitude of the Government is towards non-official organizations engaged in doing health propaganda;

(*b*) whether the Government or the Director of Public Health has at any time tried to prepare a list of non-official organizations engaged in health propaganda;

(*c*) what assistance, if any, either the Government or the Director of Public Health is rendering to such bodies to encourage them in their work;

(*d*) whether the Health Propaganda Board and the National Health Association of Southern India applied to the Government for a grant; and

(*e*) if the answer to (*d*) is in the affirmative, what the amount of grant sanctioned is?

A.—(*a*) & (*c*) Government make grants-in-aid in deserving cases where the need for such help is established.

(*b*) Yes; a list of non-official organizations in the City of Madras engaged in health propaganda was prepared in 1930.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) No grant was made to the Health Propaganda Board. The following non-recurring grants were made to the National Health Association of Southern India:—

Year.	Amount of grant. RS.	
1930–31	5,000	
1931–32	Nil.	
1932–33	500	plus one set of the Temperance Propaganda Board's cinema apparatus costing about Rs. 2,000.
1933–34	3,000	
1934–35 and 1935–36	Nil.	

Agriculture

Scheme, if any, for village investigation by the Agricultural department.

* 275 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. Nachiyappa Goundar: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any village investigation scheme has been sanctioned under the Department of Agriculture and, if so, when;